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Blue Ribbon Committee Members:

On behalf of the City of Cibolo, we want to thank you for your active participation and insight during the April 7, 2016 meeting.

After listening to the comments from the Blue Ribbon Committee, we believe the focus moving forward with the Committee membership should be to determine the feasibility of Cibolo pursuing the extension of FM 1103 from Wagon Wheel Road to U.S Interstate 10 via the creation of a public toll road owned by the City of Cibolo, Texas for the following reasons:

- While the City is not able to finance this necessary expansion at this time, the City cannot afford to wait. Every year that goes by in which a plan is not put into motion to address these infrastructure needs, construction inflation will drive the cost of the project up, along with congestion and citizen frustration.
- Cibolo is at a crossroad wait for available state funding to be made available to address today's pressing transportation needs at some point in the future, or take control of the City's destiny and use innovative means to deliver this project now.
- By entering into a public/private partnership and building FM 1103 as a tollway, Cibolo could jumpstart the FM 1103 extension project, with construction complete in as early as five years, at no financial risk to the City. While the City of Cibolo would own the road, a private partner would provide the financing, design, planning, construction, maintenance of operation of the project for a contracted period of time, thus assuming all of the associated risks.

If the response from the committee is yes, then the City will pursue negotiations with the Texas Turnpike Corporation.

As the City Council moves forward in its deliberations, our organization must be mindful of how to publically finance the future maintenance needs of the Cibolo toll road upon completion. The discussion of whether to adopt a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone or a Transportation Reinvestment Zones will lie with the Cibolo City Council and will be addressed after the City's management, legal and financial team completes their review.

We look forward to working with you on this exercise and thank you for your time.

Allen Dunn

Mayor

Jay Hogue Mayor Pro Tem

Robert T. Herrera City Manager